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I HAVEN'T HAD A MOMENT
ALONE WITH YOU SINCE BETTY
STARTED TAGGING ALONG!

I-I KNOW, ROY, BUT
PLEASE BE PATIENT!
WE CAN'T HURT HER
FEELINGS NOW!

See- **THREE WAS
A CROWD**



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YOU FIND IT

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WILDCAT



There was the time I was out with Ronnie Ware! I wanted to go to another night club, he wanted to stay at the Penguin Club!

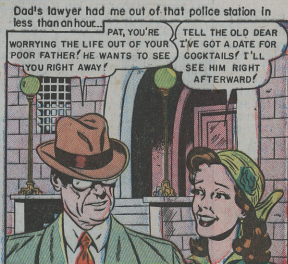


And the time I saw Dave Hawkins with Sheila Lane in a car near the golf course!

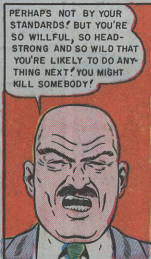


But things came to a head the time I smashed the window at Jaques Fourier's because he had made a duplicate of a dress I owned for Marjorie Sinclair...





I had seen my father disturbed over my escapades before... but he had never looked as grim as he did that evening!



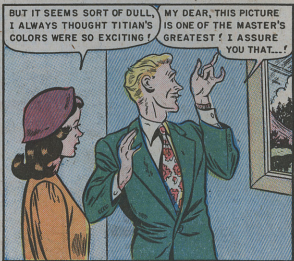
Poor Dad!
He was trying
so hard...
even if he
just had
made a
suggestion
at random!
I guess I
wasn't all
bad, espe-
cially where
dad was
concerned!
I wanted to
give him
some happi-
ness!



For once I wanted to please Dad! Next day I began to visit art dealers...



It wasn't
easy to
make a
purchase
with only
my scant
knowledge
of fine art
and my
natural
taste to
guide me!
I still hadn't
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art gallery...



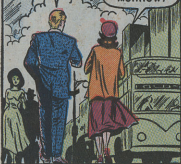
I was fascinated by the young man's insolent self assurance!



We walked down the sunlit street.

BY THE WAY, I'M KENT BARNES...AND TO LET YOU IN ON A SECRET, I'M SOMETHING OF AN ART DEALER, MYSELF!

THAT'S INTERESTING! MY NAME'S PAT MORROW!



I was clutching at every opportunity to spend more time with this stranger! Even the thought of calling a halt to the wonderful afternoon seemed to fill me with dread!

THAT'S WHAT I LIKE...AN EAGER PUPIL! I HAVE A SMALL GALLERY NEAR HERE! THAT IS, IT'S SORT OF A COMBINED APARTMENT AND GALLERY! SHALL WE GO THERE?



OF COURSE!

I wandered around the large room, studying the pictures...

THEY'RE ALL SO BEAUTIFUL! I'M BEGINNING TO HAVE MY DOUBTS ABOUT THAT!



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MORROW? YOUR FATHER WOULDN'T BE JOHN J. MORROW?

YES! HE IS!



I was no naive ingenu walking into a man's apartment for the first time! I was Pat Morrow who had been around... a little too much, some people said! Yet, as I entered Kent Barnes' apartment my heart beat with a wildness I could not understand!

I listened, entranced as Kent Barnes spoke animatedly of painters, painting and the art world...

JUDGING A PAINTING IS THE MOST FASCINATING GAME ON EARTH...AND IT CAN BE LEARNED! OF COURSE, I COULD MAKE SOME OF MY POINTS CLEARER IF I COULD SHOW YOU SOME OF THE PICTURES I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT!

I'D LOVE TO SEE THEM!



THIS IS IT! OH, I LIKE IT!



WHAT DO YOU MEAN? THEY SEEM TO SUFFER BY COMPARISON IN YOUR PRESENCE! YOU'RE THE LOVELIEST PICTURE I'VE EVER HAD IN THIS ROOM!



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HA! HA! MR. BARNES, DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE STILL GETTING AWAY WITH ALINE OF CORN LIKE THAT!

I SAID WHAT I FELT, PAT MORROW! I WASN'T CONCERNED WITH ORIGINALITY!

I KNOW WE'VE ONLY KNOWN EACH OTHER AN HOUR OR SO... BUT IT'S BEEN ENOUGH TIME TO MAKE ME REALIZE THAT I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU FOR YEARS!



YOU'RE BEING A LITTLE OBVIOUS, MR. BARNES!

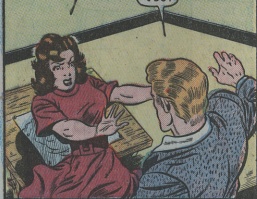
DROP THE MR. BARNES, PAT! IT MAY AS WELL BE KENT NOW AS LATER!

YOU'RE TAKING TOO MUCH FOR GRANTED, MR. BARNES! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!

NOT UNTIL I'VE PROVEN THAT YOU WANT ME TO KISS YOU JUST AS BADLY AS I DO!



My hot temper was taking over, submerging the hunger to feel his lips on mine, to know the pressure of his arms...



REALLY? DO YOU STILL THINK SO?

OW-W!

The next moment Kent was crushing me in his arms and I found myself helpless in his vise-like grip...

I'VE BEEN CALLED THAT BEFORE! NOW LET ME OUT OF HERE!

YOU WILDCAT!

YES, YOU'VE PROBABLY BEEN CALLED THAT BEFORE AND YOU'VE GROWN PROUD OF THE NAME! NOW, YOU FEEL YOU MUST LIVE UP TO IT WHETHER YOU FEEL LIKE IT OR NOT! HA! HA!

LET ME GO!



I didn't want to say what I said next... but I did have my own sophisticated standards to uphold!

My whole being was crying out to listen to his words, to yield to his embrace... but the stubborn, fighting streak in me wouldn't permit such easy submission!

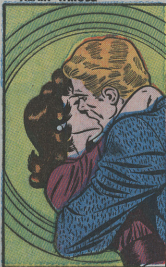


BUT EVEN WILDCATS CAN BE TAMED!

N-NEVER!

Then Kent's lips were on mine and I felt as if a giant blaze had been touched off somewhere within me! Eagerly, with a craving that amounted to madness, I returned his kisses...

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The fight had gone out of me! Only love remained!

I'M SORRY FOR WHAT I SAID, PAT! I WON'T GLOAT OVER THIS! IT MEANS TOO MUCH TO ME!

OH, KENT, GLOAT IF YOU WANT TO! I DON'T CARE! YOU WERE RIGHT! KENT DARLING, I... I...!



SAY IT, PAT! I LOVE YOU TOO!

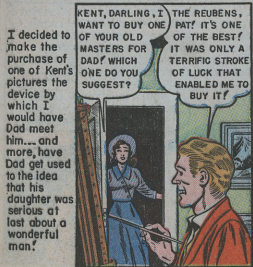
OH, KENT, I LOVE YOU... I LOVE YOU!

I saw Kent every day after that ...and it must have been two weeks before Dad spoke to me again about the hobby I was supposed to cultivate!



WELL, PAT, HAVE YOU BEEN BUYING ANY PICTURES?

NOT YET, DAD! BUT I'LL HAVE A REAL TREASURE FOR YOU SOON, I'LL BET!



I decided to make the purchase of one of Kent's pictures the device by which I would have Dad meet him... and more, have Dad get used to the idea that his daughter was serious at last about a wonderful man!



KENT, DARLING, I WANT TO BUY ONE OF YOUR OLD MASTERS FOR DAD! WHICH ONE DO YOU SUGGEST?

THE REUBENS, PAT! IT'S ONE OF THE BEST! IT WAS ONLY A TERRIFIC STROKE OF LUCK THAT ENABLED ME TO BUY IT!



MAGNIFICENT, ISN'T IT?

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST, KENT?



ONLY WHAT I PAID FOR IT, PAT! I'LL FORGET BUSINESS THIS TIME BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO HAVE IT! FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS!

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS! WHEW!

IT'LL BE ONE OF THE BEST INVESTMENTS YOUR FATHER EVER MADE!

YOU'D BETTER COME WITH ME TO CONVINCE HIM!

Kent met Dad that evening and I was a little angry at the hint of suspicion in Dad's attitude...



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YOU'LL NEVER REGRET BUYING THIS PAINTING, SIR!

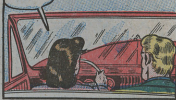
WELL, IF YOU AND PAT SAY SO... ALL RIGHT! I'LL SEND YOU A CHECK TOMORROW!



Later, when I was alone with Kent...

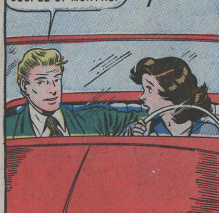
KENT, I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF I BECOME PRACTICAL! BUT YOU SEEM TO HAVE A LUCRATIVE BUSINESS AND WE LOVE EACH OTHER! I WAS WONDERING IF... IF...

OH, PAT, I DO WANT TO MARRY YOU... AND AS SOON AS I RETURN FROM A LITTLE BUSINESS TRIP I'VE GOT TO MAKE...

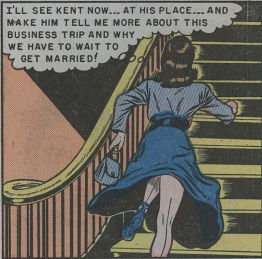


BUSINESS TRIP? FOR HOW LONG, KENT?

OH... ER... ONLY A COUPLE OF MONTHS!



A couple of months without Kent! I felt a numbing pain in my breast! He didn't tell me any more about the business trip and that night I could not sleep! Next day I forced myself to wait until noon... even with the man I loved I was too proud to rush to him in an early morning panic!



I'LL SEE KENT NOW... AT HIS PLACE... AND MAKE HIM TELL ME MORE ABOUT THIS BUSINESS TRIP AND WHY WE HAVE TO WAIT TO GET MARRIED!

HELLO, THERE! YOU MUST BE MISS MORROW!

WH-WHO ARE YOU? WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT REUBENS? IT WAS LEFT AT MY HOME LAST NIGHT!



The door was open and inside stood a man I had never seen before! He was young, good looking and absorbed in a very familiar painting...

I'LL TRY TO ANSWER THOSE ONE AT A TIME! I'M REX ANDERSON AND I MAKE MY LIVING AS AN ART EXPERT! YOUR FATHER CALLED ME IN THIS MORNING! HE SAID YOU WERE STILL IN YOUR ROOM OR I'D HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF MEETING YOU EARLIER!

NEVER MIND THE PLEASANTRIES! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE WITH THAT PAINTING?



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I stood there, stunned and crushed! Doubts tore at my heart! But the next moment the door opened — and in a flash the doubts were gone! Only the misery remained!



As I watched Kent scurry away like a frightened rabbit, I was no longer the wildcat! Wretched grief tore at my heart so that I doubt that I could have kept my feet were it not for a supporting arm!

That must have been the turning point in my life! They say people do learn through suffering and perhaps I did! I don't fly off the handle any more and my self-centeredness seems to be disappearing! But then, I've had the guidance lately of a man who is as much an expert in human emotions as in fine art!

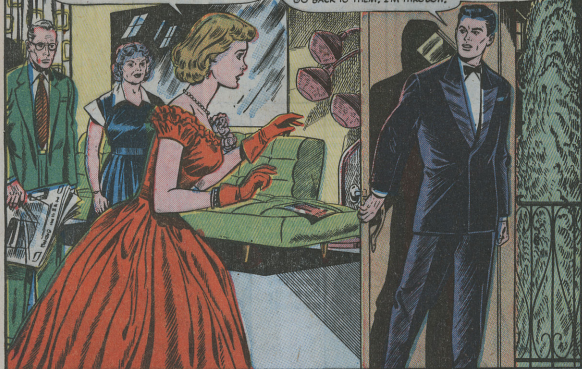


A NEW TOWN, NEW FRIENDS AND EVEN A NEW ROMANCE! THAT PROSPECT SHOULD HAVE BEEN EXCITING TO ME! INSTEAD, I CLUNG SENTIMENTALLY TO A PAST THAT WAS ONLY A DREAM AND LEARNED WITH BITTER TEARS THAT---

Love is Where You Find It

I--- I DIDN'T SAY I WOULDN'T GO TO THE DANCE WITH YOU, CLARK! PLEASE DON'T GO!

YOU AREN'T DOING ME ANY FAVORS, PATTY! IF YOUR OLD FRIENDS ARE SO PRECIOUS TO YOU, I'D SUGGEST YOU GO BACK TO THEM! I'M THROUGH!



I'LL NEVER FORGET HOW SHOCKED I WAS WHEN MY PARENTS TOLD ME DAD HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED AND WE WERE MOVING TO ANOTHER TOWN NEARBY! MOVING DAY FOUND ME CRUSHED WITH DESPAIR!

I'LL BE LEAVING ALL MY FRIENDS AT HIGH SCHOOL! AND JUST WHEN TED BRYCE HAS STARTED DATING ME! IT'S GOING TO BE AWFUL!

NEWCOMBE IS ONLY FORTY MILES AWAY, PATTY! BESIDES, YOU'LL MAKE NEW FRIENDS!



YOU CAN'T ASK YOUR FATHER TO GIVE UP HIS JOB JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON SOME HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE! DAD'S BEEN TRANSFERRED AND IT'S UP TO US TO COOPERATE!

I'M GOING TO HATE NEWCOMBE! ALL THE KIDS HERE KNOW ME AND LIKE ME! I'LL FEEL LIKE AN OUTCAST IN A NEW SCHOOL!



I HAD MY LAST DATE WITH TED THAT NIGHT AND IT SEEMED THAT THE WORLD WAS COMING TO AN END!

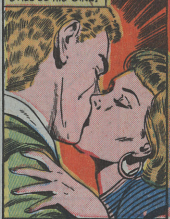
THEY MOVED MOST OF THE FURNITURE TODAY! WE'RE DRIVING TO NEWCOMBE IN THE MORNING AND... THAT'LL BE THE END!

OH, IT'S NOT SO BAD, PATTY! WE CAN WRITE LETTERS AND MAYBE I CAN BORROW MY BROTHER'S CAR AND COME TO SEE YOU!

ANYWAY, YOUR AUNT STILL LIVES HERE IN TOWN! YOU'LL BE COMING TO VISIT HER AND I'LL SEE YOU THEN!

BUT I WON'T BE HERE FOR THE SCHOOL DANCES! AND YOU'LL BE SO BUSY WITH ALL YOUR ACTIVITIES THAT YOU'LL FORGET ALL ABOUT ME!

TED'S REPLY WAS A KISS THAT I TOOK AS HIS PROMISE THAT HE WOULD REMEMBER ME ALWAYS! EVEN THOUGH WE WERE BEING CRUELY SEPARATED, I WOULD STILL BE HIS GIRL!



YES, I FELT SOUND TO TED, TO MY OLD FRIENDS AND MY OLD SCHOOL! MAYBE THAT WAS WHY, A WEEK LATER, I COULD DO NOTHING BUT CRITICIZE AND RIDICULE EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE AT NEWCOMBE HIGH!

YOU'LL LOVE THE FOOD, PATTY! AND A LOT OF OUR PARTIES ARE HELD HERE IN THE CAFETERIA! IN FACT, THERE'S A DANCE NEXT WEEK!

BACK HOME WE HAD A BIG GYMNASIUM FOR DANCES! AND THE CAFETERIA WAS A LOT MORE MODERN THAN THIS ONE! IN FACT, THE WHOLE SCHOOL SEEMS KIND OF... STODGY!



WELL, THE BUILDING MAY NOT BE NEW BUT THE KIDS ARE WONDERFUL! MAYBE YOU'LL GET TO LIKE IT AFTER YOU'RE HERE AWHILE!

MAYBE! SO FAR I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING THAT SENDS ME! BUT, THEN, I DIDN'T EXPECT MUCH!



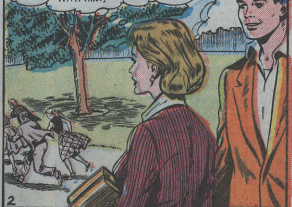
GLUM AND IRRITABLE, IT WAS NO WONDER THAT THE KIDS STARTED AVOIDING ME; BUT I DIDN'T BLAME MYSELF THEN! I JUST DECIDED THAT EVERYONE AT NEWCOMBE HIGH WAS SNOBISH AND UNFRIENDLY!

LET'S GO, GANG! YOU CAN'T GET A BOOTH AT THE SUGAR HUT IF YOU DON'T GET THERE EARLY!

THEY'VE GOT SOME COOL NEW RECORDS ON THE JUKE BOX! THAT'S FOR ME!



THEY RUSHED RIGHT PAST ME! BACK HOME I'D HAVE BEEN RIGHT WITH THE CROWD! TED WOULD HAVE INVITED ME TO DANCE WITH HIM!

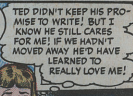
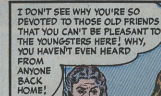


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I SUPPOSE I SHOULD HAVE BEEN PLEASED WHEN CLARK LINTON, ONE OF THE BOYS IN MY ENGLISH CLASS, NOTICED MY FLIGHT! BUT I WAS TOO ANGRY AND HURT TO BE CORDIAL TO ANYONE!



BUT JUST MENTIONING MY HOMESICKNESS WAS ENOUGH TO START MY PARENTS OFF ON A STORMY SCENE!



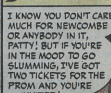
BUT HOW LONG COULD I GO ON DREAMS ALONE? WHEN I HEARD THE GIRLS DISCUSSING THE BIG ANNUAL PROM, I COULDN'T HELP FEELING WISTFUL!



I DON'T HAVE TO EXPECT A BID TO THEIR OLD PROM! ANYWAY. I.... I WOULDN'T WANT TO GO WITH JUST ANYONE! IF TED WERE AROUND, IT WOULD BE DIFFERENT!



BUT LATER THAT DAY!



ER...I'M NOT DOING ANYTHING THAT EVENING! I SUPPOSE IT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT!



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YIPES! SUCH ENTHUSIASM! WELL, MAYBE I CAN GET YOU TO SEE THE LIGHT IF YOU HAVE A GOOD TIME AT THE DANCE! IT'S A DATE THEN?

I... GUESS SO! HE'S ABOUT THE ONLY FRIENDLY ONE AROUND HERE! MIGHT AS WELL BE OUT WITH HIM... NOTHING CAN BE WORSE THAN SITTING AROUND THE HOUSE ON A SATURDAY NIGHT!

I SUPPOSE IN MY SECRET HEART THAT I WAS THRILLED ABOUT THAT INVITATION! CLARK WAS HANDSOME AND HAD A PLEASING PERSONALITY... CERTAINLY HE WAS BETTER THAN MY FADING DREAMS OF TED! BUT STUBBORNLY, I REFUSED TO ADMIT MY ATTITUDE HAD BEEN WRONG! AND THE NIGHT OF THE DANCE...



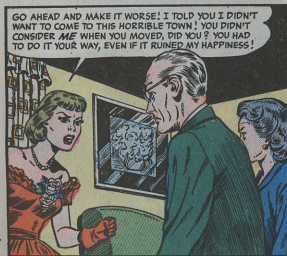
WASN'T IT THOUGHTFUL OF CLARK TO CALL AND MAKE SURE THE COR-SAGE WOULD GO WITH YOUR DRESS! HE SOUNDED LIKE A FINE YOUNG MAN!

OH, HE'S ALL RIGHT! FRANKLY, I CAN'T GET VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THIS WHOLE SILLY AFFAIR TONIGHT!



MAYBE YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD US THAT BEFORE WE WENT OUT AND BOUGHT YOU ALL THOSE FANCY DUDS YOU'RE WEARING! YOU'VE DONE NOTHING BUT FIND FAULT SINCE WE CAME HERE!

AND IF YOU'RE UN-POPULAR, IT'S BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T MADE YOURSELF VERY LIKEABLE! I'M SURPRISED THAT YOU EVEN GOT AN INVITATION FOR TONIGHT!

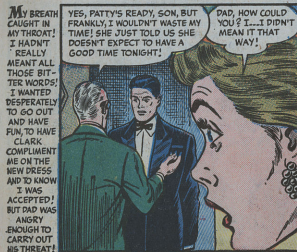


GO AHEAD AND MAKE IT WORSE! I TOLD YOU I DIDN'T WANT TO COME TO THIS HORRIBLE TOWN! YOU DIDN'T CONSIDER ME WHEN YOU MOVED, DID YOU? YOU HAD TO DO IT YOUR WAY, EVEN IF IT RUINED MY HAPPINESS!



SOB! NOBODY LIKES ME HERE! SOB! I KNOW I'LL HAVE A PERFECTLY HORRIBLE TIME TONIGHT WITH NO ONE TO DANCE WITH BUT CLARK!

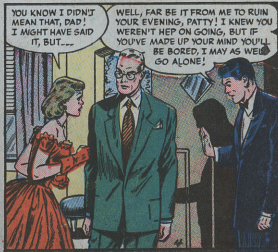
THERE HE IS NOW! IN ALL FAIRNESS, YOU OUGHT TO TELL HIM YOU DON'T WANT TO GO!



MY BREATH CAUGHT IN MY THROAT! I HADN'T REALLY MEANT ALL THOSE BITTER WORDS! I WANTED DESPERATELY TO GO OUT AND HAVE FUN, TO HAVE CLARK COMPLIMENT ME ON THE NEW DRESS AND TO KNOW I WAS ACCEPTED! BUT DAD WAS ANGRY ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT HIS THREAT!

YES, PATTY'S READY, SON, BUT FRANKLY, I WOULDN'T WASTE MY TIME! SHE JUST TOLD US SHE DOESN'T EXPECT TO HAVE A GOOD TIME TONIGHT!

DAD, HOW COULD YOU? I... I DIDN'T MEAN IT THAT WAY!



YOU KNOW I DIDN'T MEAN THAT, DAD! I MIGHT HAVE SAID IT, BUT...

WELL, FAR BE IT FROM ME TO RUIN YOUR EVENING, PATTY! I KNEW YOU WEREN'T HEP ON GOING, BUT IF YOU'VE MADE UP YOUR MIND YOU'LL BE BORED, I MAY AS WELL GO ALONE!

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NICE MEETING YOU, MR. AND MRS. STREETER! I'LL SEE YOU AT SCHOOL, PATTY!

NOW WHAT WILL THEY SAY ABOUT ME? SOBE I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MAKE ANY FRIENDS! I'LL NEVER FORGIVE YOU FOR THIS, DAD!

HUMILIATION, ANGER AND DISAPPOINTMENT CHURNED INSIDE ME AS I RAN TO MY ROOM IN TEARS! AND FROM THIS CONFUSION ROSE AN IDEA! I WASN'T WANTED HERE, BUT MY OLD CLASSMATES WOULD WELCOME ME WITH OPEN ARMS! TED WAS WAITING TO GIVE ME THE AFFECTION AND UNDERSTANDING I NEEDED! AND SO...

I'LL LEAVE THIS NOTE TELLING THE FOLKS I'VE GONE TO VISIT AUNT LAURA! AFTER THE WAY THEY'VE EMBARRASSED ME, THEY CAN'T BLAME ME FOR WANTING TO GO TO MY REAL FRIENDS!

AND LATE THAT NIGHT, LONG AFTER MY PARENTS WERE ASLEEP...

I'LL SPEND SUNDAY WITH AUNT LAURA AND MONDAY I'LL SURPRISE THE KIDS AT SCHOOL! I CAN IMAGINE HOW THRILLED TED WILL BE TO SEE ME! WE'LL GO SOMEWHERE TOGETHER AND... IT'LL BE LIKE OLD TIMES!



MY BIG ADVENTURE FELL FLAT ON MONDAY MORNING! MY OLD FRIENDS WERE PLEASANT, BUT THEY WERE BUSY... TOO BUSY TO MAKE A FUSS OVER ME!

SURE IS NICE TO SEE YOU, PATTY! IF I DIDN'T HAVE TO RUSH TO DRAMA CLUB REHEARSAL I'D SAY LET'S GO DOWN TO THE CAFETERIA FOR A CHAT!

SURE! I'D LOVE TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR NEW SCHOOL! WISH I DIDN'T HAVE TO BONE UP IN THE LIBRARY!



THAT RECEPTION WAS DISAPPOINTING, BUT IT WAS TED WHO COUNTED! TED WOULD DROP WHATEVER HE WAS DOING TO BE WITH ME! I FOUND HIM IN THE CAFETERIA... BUT HE WASN'T ALONE!

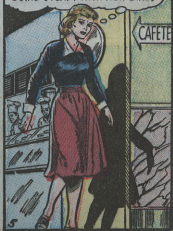
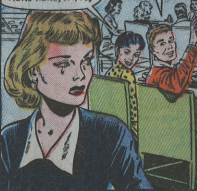
FOR PETE'S SAKE! HIYA, STRANGER! JOANIE, THIS IS PATTY STREETER! SHE USED TO GO TO THIS SCHOOL! ER... JOANIE'S NEW HERE!

I-I'M VISITING HERE FOR A FEW DAYS! I THOUGHT... MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO DROP IN AT AUNT LAURA'S TONIGHT, TED! WE HAVE SO MUCH TO TALK ABOUT!

TED HELPS ME WITH MY MATH ON MONDAY NIGHTS! AND MAYBE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD THAT WE'RE GOING STEADY, BUT THINGS HAVE CHANGED A LITTLE SINCE YOU WERE HERE, PATTY!

HAHA! SORRY, PATTY! MAYBE WE'LL FIX UP A DOUBLE-DATE SOMETIME WHEN YOU'RE IN TOWN AGAIN! SURE WAS SWELL SEEING YOU THOUGH!

HE ACTED LIKE WE WERE JUST... CASUAL ACQUAINTANCES! HE NEVER WROTE... HE DIDN'T CARE IF HE EVER SAW ME AGAIN! AND HE'S GOING STEADY WITH THAT GIRL!



HEART THROBS

THERE WAS NOTHING LEFT TO DO BUT SWALLOW MY PRIDE AND GO HOME! MY PARENTS DIDN'T MAKE A SCENE; IN FACT THEY IGNORED WHAT I HAD DONE! MAYBE THEY REALIZED I HAD LEARNED MY LESSON AND THAT THE WORST WAS TO COME WHEN I WENT BACK TO SCHOOL THE NEXT DAY!

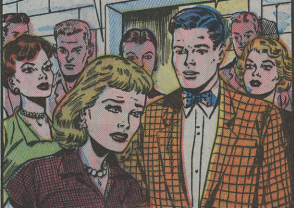
NO WONDER YOU DIDN'T BOTHER COMING TO OUR DULL OLD DANCE, PATTY! NOT WHEN YOU HAD A CHANCE TO GO BACK TO THAT EXCITING HOME TOWN OF YOURS!

WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME, BUT YOU'D HAVE BEEN BORED TO TEARS!



I'D HAVE...HAD A GOOD TIME! BUT I GUESS NONE OF YOU WOULD BELIEVE THAT NOW!

MAYBE WE'D BELIEVE A LOT OF THINGS, PATTY, IF YOU GAVE US A CHANCE!



FOR INSTANCE, I HAVE AN IDEA YOU WANT TO BE LIKED AND YOU WANT TO BE PART OF THE GANG! I'VE SUSPECTED THAT RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING!

OH, CLARK, YOU'RE RIGHT! I MADE EVERYTHING SEEM DULL BECAUSE I HAD A CHIP ON MY SHOULDER! I WOULDN'T ADJUST MYSELF TO THE CHANGE AND... NOW IT'S TOO LATE!



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO MAKE FRIENDS, PATTY! AND IF YOU LET ME, I'D HELP YOU! THAT IS...IF YOU DON'T MIND HAVING ME AROUND!

MIND? YOU DON'T KNOW HOW GLAD I WAS TO SEE YOU TODAY! AFTER WHAT HAPPENED BACK AT THE OLD SCHOOL, I...I FELT LIKE I REALLY BELONG HERE!



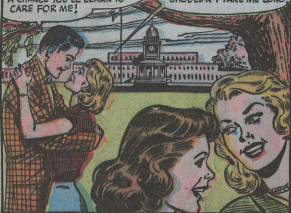
I'M NOT GOING TO ASK WHAT HAPPENED BACK THERE, PATTY! BUT IF YOU'VE QUIT DAY-DREAMING ABOUT THAT BOYFRIEND YOU LEFT BEHIND, MAYBE YOU'LL GIVE ME A CHANCE! I... I THINK I'VE LOVED YOU SINCE THE DAY YOU CAME HERE!

LOVED ME? AFTER THE WAY I ACTED?

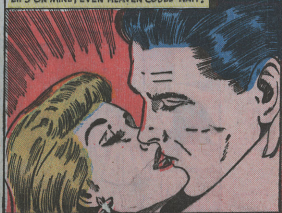


LOVED YOU A LOT, PATTY! AND JUST THINK HOW MUCH MORE I'LL LOVE YOU NOW THAT THERE'S A CHANCE YOU'LL LEARN TO CARE FOR ME!

I'VE LEARNED A GREAT DEAL IN THE LAST FEW MINUTES, CLARK! IT SHOULDN'T TAKE ME LONG!



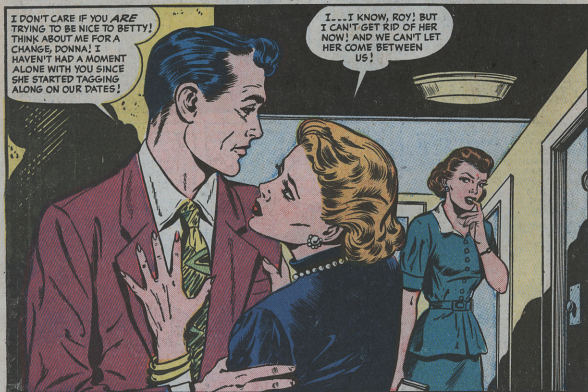
YES, I HAD TRADED MY WORN-OUT MEMORIES FOR A REAL LOVE! I WAS ANXIOUS TO TELL MOTHER AND DAD THAT NOW I'VE BELONGED, BUT THAT COULD WAIT! WITH CLARK'S LIPS ON MINE, EVEN HEAVEN COULD WAIT!



HEART THROBS

IT WAS A KINDLY GESTURE, INVITING BETTY RICHARDS TO BE MY ROOMMATE! AND IT WAS JUST FRIENDLINESS ON MY FIANCE'S PART, INVITING HER TO GO ALONG ON A FEW OF OUR DATES! BUT FEELING SORRY FOR THIS LONELY, FRIENDLESS GIRL THREATENED TO DESTROY OUR ROMANCE AND PROVED TO US THAT...

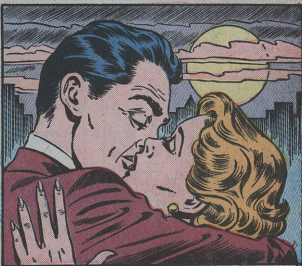
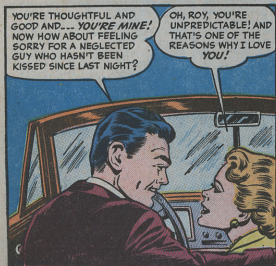
Three Was A Crowd



FROM THE FIRST DAY SHE CAME TO WORK AT McLENNON'S DEPARTMENT STORE I FELT SORRY FOR BETTY RICHARDS! SHE SEEMED SO OUT OF PLACE, SO LOST AND LONELY! AND ONE DAY...



HEART THROBS



ACTUALLY IT WAS ROY WHO SUGGESTED MAKING BETTY WELCOME BY TAKING HER ALONG ON A FEW OF OUR DATES! BETTY WAS GRATEFUL, BUT LIKE A FAITHFUL PUPPY SHE HARDLY LET US OUT OF HER SIGHT, AND EVEN OUR GOOD-NIGHT KISSES WERE AWKWARD AND RESTRAINED!



AND EVENINGS, WHEN ROY CAME TO CALL, IT WAS EVEN WORSE! BETTY WANTED TO BE GRACIOUS AND I COULDN'T HURT HER FEELINGS, BUT I KNEW HOW HER PRESENCE IRRITATED ROY!

WE'LL GO SEE THE TOWN IF YOU WANT TO, HONEY! BUT I'D RATHER SIT HERE WITH YOU AND...



I FIXED SOME COFFEE FOR YOU TWO! AND I'VE GOT A PIE IN THE OVEN! WE'LL HAVE THAT WITH OUR SECOND CUP, RIGHT?

OH, GREAT! THAT'LL BE SIMPLY TERRIFIC! THE THREE OF CAN HAVE A NICE, COZY COFFEE KLATCH!

ER...YOU'RE VERY CONSIDERATE, BETTY! SHE JUST KNOCKED HERSELF OUT WHEN I TOLD HER YOU LIKE APPLE PIE, ROY! AND I KNOW YOU APPRECIATE IT!



EXCUSE ME WHILE I CHECK THAT PIE AND TIDY UP THE KITCHEN! I WON'T BE LONG!

SHE WON'T BE LONG! GOOD NIGHT, DONNA, CAN'T YOU EXPLAIN TO HER THAT THREE IS A CROWD! I DON'T MIND BEING FRIENDLY, BUT COMMON SENSE WOULD TELL HER TO GO SEE A MOVIE AT A TIME LIKE THIS!



DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND, DEAR? GOING TO A MOVIE MEANS BEING ALONE! SHE NEEDS FRIENDS AND WE'RE THE ONLY PEOPLE IN TOWN WHO'VE BEEN DECENT TO HER! CAN'T YOU SEE SHE'S TRYING TO PLEASE US?

AND YOU DON'T WANT TO HURT HER FEELINGS! HAPPY DAY!



MAYBE WE COULD HELP HER FIND A BOYFRIEND, ROY! COULDN'T YOU ARRANGE A DOUBLE DATE SOME NIGHT? THAT WAY WE'D HAVE PRIVACY AND WE'D BE DOING HER A REAL FAVOR!

SHE'S NOT EXACTLY AN EXCITING DATE! I'LL HAVE TO LOOK AROUND FOR A GUY WHO OWES ME A FAVOR!



GRUDGINGLY, ROY ARRANGED THE DOUBLE-DATE, INVITING ONE OF HIS BEST FRIENDS TO BE BETTY'S ESCORT! BUT EARL WALLACE WAS OBVIOUSLY BORED WITH BETTY BEFORE THE EVENING BEGAN!

I'LL NEVER HEAR THE END OF THIS FROM EARL! HE'S USED TO GOING OUT WITH SHARP GIRLS, NOT DEADHEADS LIKE BETTY! ALL SHE CAN TALK ABOUT IS WHAT SHE USED TO DO BACK ON THE FARM!

YOU AREN'T BEING VERY KIND, ROY! BETTY IS A WONDERFUL GIRL AND SHE'S GOING TO MAKE SOME MAN A PERFECT WIFE!



MAYBE, BUT DON'T ASK ME TO STICK MY FRIENDS WITH HER AGAIN! FRANKLY, I THINK YOU'VE CARRIED THIS GOOD SAMARITAN ACT TOO FAR, DONNA!

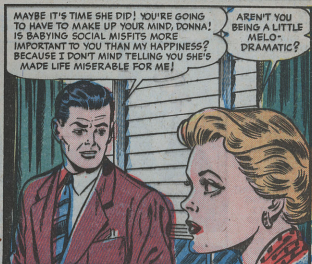
AND, FRANKLY, I WISH YOU'D CONSIDER OTHER PEOPLE'S FEELINGS A LITTLE MORE! YOU'RE BEING SELFISH AND I THINK EARL'S A SNOB!



HEART THROBS



I WAS FURIOUS WITH ROY'S FRIEND FOR HIS SARCASTIC REMARKS, BUT EVIDENTLY BETTY WAS TOO THRILLED TO RECOGNIZE SARCASTISM! IN FACT, SHE LIVED ON A CLOUD FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS, CONVINCED THAT EARL HAD MEANT WHAT HE SAID!



YOU SAID BEING KIND TO OTHER PEOPLE WAS ONE OF THE REASONS YOU LOVED ME! YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD ME YOU DON'T MIND BEING KIND AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T INCONVENIENCE YOU!

IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS THAT YOU'VE MADE YOUR CHOICE BETWEEN BEING A MISSIONARY AND BEING THE GIRL I'M GOING TO MARRY!

WHEN YOU'RE THROUGH RUNNING A HAVEN FOR THE FRIENDLESS, LET ME KNOW! I KNOW WHEN I'M IN THE WAY!

ROY! OH, ROY, YOU CAN'T MEAN THAT!



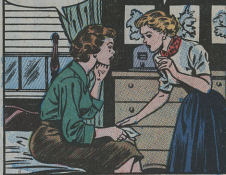
I WANTED TO BURST INTO TEARS AS I WATCHED ROY WALK OUT OF THE APARTMENT, BUT MY OWN ANGUISH WAS SECONDARY! OUR VOICES HAD RISEN TO A SHRILL PITCH AND I SHUDDERED TO THINK THAT BETTY HAD HEARD THE CONVERSATION! A MOMENT LATER I LEARNED THAT MY FEAR WAS JUSTIFIED!



BETTY! PLEASE DON'T TAKE IT SO HARD! ROY WAS ANGRY AND HE DIDN'T MEAN THE THINGS HE SAID!

HE WAS RIGHT! I'M A MISFIT AND I'VE ONLY BEEN IN THE WAY HERE! BUT I DIDN'T HAVE SENSE ENOUGH TO KNOW SOBE! I WASN'T WANTED!

PLEASE DON'T THINK THAT, BETTY! MAYBE IT'S BEST THIS WAY! I KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT ROY'S CHARACTER THAT I DIDN'T KNOW BEFORE!



DON'T BLAME ROY! IT'S ALL MY FAULT! I'VE REPAID YOUR KINDNESS BY COMING BETWEEN YOU AND THE MAN YOU LOVE!

WE'LL IRON OUT OUR DIFFERENCES! PLEASE DON'T LEAVE, BETTY! PUT THOSE CLOTHES BACK IN THE DRAWER!

I'VE DONE ENOUGH TO MAKE YOU UNHAPPY, DONNA! FROM NOW ON I'LL HAVE TO GET ALONG WITHOUT FRIENDS IF I CAN'T HAVE THEM WITHOUT... HURTING THEM!

I'VE MADE BETTY MORE MISERABLE THAN SHE WAS BEFORE! AND I'VE LOST ROY! WHAT HAVE I DONE TO MAKE THINGS TURN OUT THIS WAY?



I PRAYED FOR ROY TO CALL IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED! BUT, IRONICALLY, EVEN THOUGH BETTY MOVED OUT OF THE APARTMENT AND THERE WAS NO LONGER ANY PROBLEM, HE DIDN'T MAKE ANY EFFORT TO CONTACT ME! AND I COULDN'T TELL THAT TO BETTY... SHE HAD BEEN HURT ENOUGH!

I'M MANAGING ALL RIGHT ALONE, DONNA! THE ONLY THING THAT WORRIES ME IS... THAT QUARREL YOU HAD WITH ROY! I HOPE EVERYTHING'S ALL RIGHT NOW THAT I'M OUT OF THE WAY!

YES...YES, EVERYTHING'S ALL RIGHT! WE HAVE A DATE TONIGHT!



HEART THROBS

YOU DON'T KNOW HOW GLAD I AM TO HEAR THAT! YOU WERE SO WONDERFUL TO ME, DONNA! IT HURT MY CONSCIENCE TO THINK YOU AND ROY HAD BROKEN UP!

NO EVERYTHING'S --- ALL RIGHT! THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!

YES, I LIED TO PROTECT BETTY'S FEELINGS, BUT THAT DIDN'T EASE MY HEARTACHE! TWO WEEKS WENT BY AND THEN THREE, YET THERE WAS NO WORD FROM ROY! AND ONE MORNING, BETTY ADDED TO THE IRONY OF THE SITUATION!

OH, DONNA, I'M SO EXCITED! I HAD A DATE LAST NIGHT... A REAL DATE! HIS NAME IS JOHNNY GROVES AND HE'S A SHIPPING CLERK AT LAWSON'S MAIL ORDER HOUSE! I MET HIM AT THAT LITTLE PLACE WHERE I HAVE DINNER EVERY NIGHT AND---

WHOA! ONE THING AT A TIME! ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT YOU'VE GOT A BEAU?

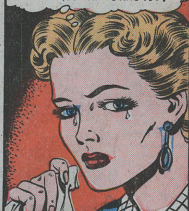


AND HE LIKES ME, DONNA! REALLY HE DOES! WE GOT TO TALKING AND HE ASKED ME TO GO OUT WITH HIM AND... WE HAVE SO MUCH IN COMMON! WE'RE GOING TO SEE A PLAY TONIGHT!

THAT'S WONDERFUL, BETTY! I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW HAPPY THAT MAKES ME!

EVERYTHING TURNED OUT... PERFECTLY, DIDN'T IT? YOU'VE GOT SOMEONE TO CARE FOR YOU AND I'VE GOT... ROY!

OH, ROY, DID I REALLY COMMIT SUCH A TERRIBLE CRIME? BETTY'S HAPPY NOW! WHY MUST I BE ALONE... WANTING YOU AND LOVING YOU!



BETTY'S NEW-FOUND HAPPINESS SHOULD HAVE PLEASED ME, BUT IT ONLY ACCENTED MY OWN LONELINESS!

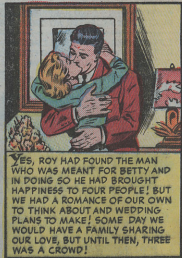
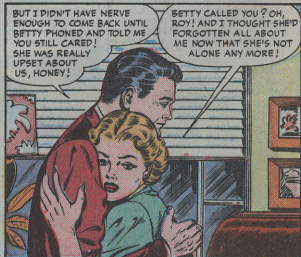
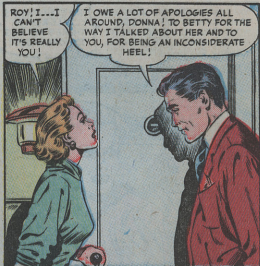
I REMEMBER HOW SORRY I FELT FOR BETTY NOT LONG AGO BECAUSE NO ONE LOVED HER! THE TABLES ARE TURNED NOW!

I GUESS SHE ISN'T TOO WORRIED ABOUT ME! BUT I CAN'T GO ON WITHOUT ROY! EVEN IF I NEVER HEAR FROM HIM AGAIN, I'LL GO ON LOVING HIM!



HEART THROBS

MAYBE IF I HAD BEEN LISTENING CLOSELY WHEN BETTY TOLD ME ABOUT HER NEW BOYFRIEND, I WOULD HAVE REALIZED THAT ROY HADN'T FORGOTTEN ME! IT WASN'T UNTIL THAT NIGHT THAT I REALIZED THAT BETTY AND ROY WERE GREATLY CONCERNED WITH MY HAPPINESS!



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Advice on Love Problems

by Marilyn Minton

Dear Miss Minton:

Your column has given help to so many of my friends that I decided to ask your advice for myself. I started going steady with a boy in my class a short time ago. I like him very much and he is a lot of fun to go out with but he insists, whenever we have a date, that we go "dutch." He says that his paper route doesn't pay much and since I get an allowance, it is only fair that I pay my own way. I don't like the idea. What do you think?

Yours truly
Beverly M.
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Beverly M.:

In some instances it is perfectly all right to pay your own way when you are out with a boy. However, I do not believe it is proper at all times. If you enjoy this boy's company, suggest that you spend evenings at your home, or visit your friends together. In this way there will be no expenditure involved and you can still enjoy his companionship.

Marilyn Minton

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Dear Marilyn Minton:

I am seeing a young man my parents don't like. I resent their attitude and so does he. Now he wants me to marry him in secret and not let my folks know anything about it. I love him very deeply, but I would hate to hurt my parents by such deception. He says if I tell them of our plans, everything will be over between us. What shall I do?

Sincerely yours
M. K.
Camden, N. J.

Dear M. K.:

Have a serious talk with your young man. Explain your obligation to tell your family of your plan. Surely he will understand your reasons. Loyalty is a fine characteristic and one that is desirable in a future wife.

Marilyn Minton

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Dear Marilyn Minton:

My mother told me to write to you when we had a disagreement the other day I am fourteen years old and I have to be in the house by ten o'clock every night. Lots of my friends stay out later than that and

I can't see why I have to come in so early. Can you help me?

Very truly yours
Virginia L.
Carmel, Calif.

Dear Virginia L.:

I would suggest that you abide by your mother's wishes in this matter. Your mother has shown her wish to be fair by suggesting that you seek outside advice. This should prove to you that she has only your best interest in mind.

Marilyn Minton

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Dear Miss Minton:

After going with a boy for two years he has stopped asking me out. I think I really love him and I don't want to lose him. I really don't know what to do. Shall I call him and ask why he has left me?

Yours truly
Madeline T.
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Madeline T.:

Under no circumstance should you ask the young man such a question. First make an effort to meet other people. In this way you will have a chance to make comparisons and know your true feelings for this boy. He, too, will have a chance to see what is like without you. Both of you may find your interest lie elsewhere, but if your love for each other is real there is an excellent chance that you will get together before too much time has passed.

Marilyn Minton

IF YOU ARE TROUBLED BY A LOVE PROBLEM, WRITE TO MARILYN MINTON, NOTED PSYCHOLOGIST AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS COUNSELOR, 347 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

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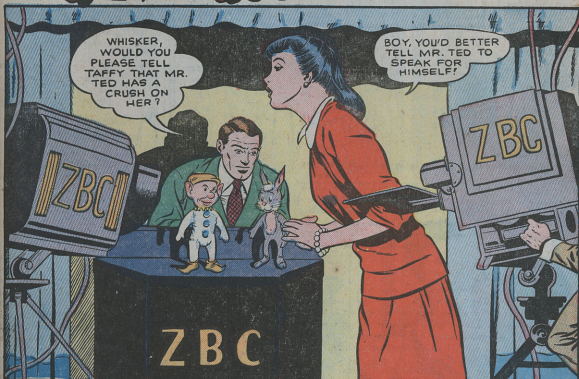
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My Magic Moment



TED STOKES AND I TOLD OUR LOVE TO EACH OTHER THROUGH A PAIR OF STRANGE, LOVABLE LITTLE PUPPETS...FOR ALL THE WORLD TO SEE AND HEAR! LITTLE DID WE KNOW THAT THE PUPPETS THEMSELVES WOULD BE USED TO DESTROY OUR LOVE AND THAT THEY WOULD ALSO BE THE ONES TO BRING US TOGETHER AGAIN!



Only a few weeks have passed since Ted Stokes hired me as assistant on his television puppet show, yet I know that we were meant for each other!

HEART THROBS



CUT! SAY, TED, WAS THAT LAST PART ABOUT TAFFY BEING THE GIRL THEY LOVE BEST IN THE SCRIPT? I DON'T REMEMBER IT!

WELL... -UH, I MAY HAVE ADLIBBED A LITTLE!



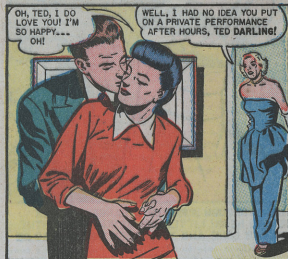
SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU GOT A GOOD ANSWER TO THAT ADLIB!

IS HE RIGHT, TAFFY? OR DID YOU SAY THAT JUST FOR THE T.V. AUDIENCE?

9 replied in the best way I knew, and as we kissed the warm glow of love set my enraptured heart on fire!

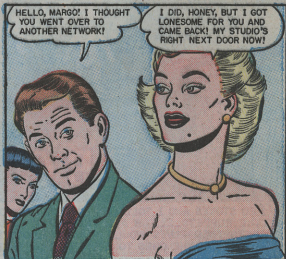


TAFFY, MY DARLING!



OH, TED, I DO LOVE YOU! I'M SO HAPPY... OH!

WELL, I HAD NO IDEA YOU PUT ON A PRIVATE PERFORMANCE AFTER HOURS, TED DARLING!



HELLO, MARGO? I THOUGHT YOU WENT OVER TO ANOTHER NETWORK!

I DID, HONEY, BUT I GOT LONESOME FOR YOU AND CAME BACK! MY STUDIO'S RIGHT NEXT DOOR NOW!

A chill swept me as I looked at Margo Lang, glamorous torch singer! She was as fascinating as a cobra...and, I sensed, as evil!



MARGO, I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET TAFFY MARSH, MY NEW ASSISTANT!

M-M, SWEET CHILD! I'M SURE WE'LL BE FAST FRIENDS!

Margo left as abruptly as she had come, but somehow she had broken the spell of our magic moment!

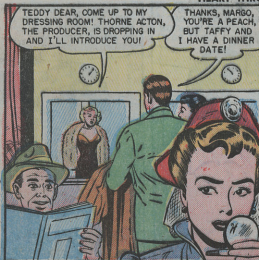


MARGO IS REALLY A GOOD EGG, HONEY! SHE JUST TALKS BIG!

TALKS BIG ABOUT YOU...AND A WOMAN LIKE MARGO LANG USUALLY GETS WHAT SHE WANTS!

HEART THROBS

As the days sped by, I knew more and more that Ted loved me...but the shadow of Margo was always between us!



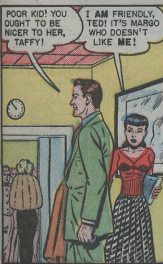
TEDDY DEAR, COME UP TO MY DRESSING ROOM! THORNE ACTON, THE PRODUCER, IS DROPPING IN AND I'LL INTRODUCE YOU!

THANKS, MARGO, YOU'RE A PEACH, BUT TAFFY AND I HAVE A DINNER DATE!

Margo's glance of hatred at me was eloquent but silent...so Ted missed it...but he heard her words!



LUCKY GIRL! BUT I'M AFRAID YOU DON'T LIKE ME! YOU NEVER DROP IN TO MY DRESSING ROOM TO SAY HELLO! SIGH! JUST BECAUSE I'M MARGO LANG DOESN'T MEAN I DON'T GET LONELY!



POOR KID! YOU OUGHT TO BE NICER TO HER, TAFFY!

I AM FRIENDLY, TED! IT'S MARGO WHO DOESN'T LIKE ME!



THAT'S YOUR IMAGINATION, SWEETIE! NOW, FOR ME, WILL YOU TRY HARD TO BE FRIENDS? AS WHISKERS WOULD SAY, "PUH-LEEZE"!

ALL RIGHT, DARLING! I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU ASK!

So I embarked on a program of friendship to please Ted, and I was seen in Margo's dressing room as much as my own!



I KNEW I'D FIND YOU HERE! YOU'RE ON IN TWO MINUTES, TAFFY!

I'VE GOT TO RUN, MARGO!

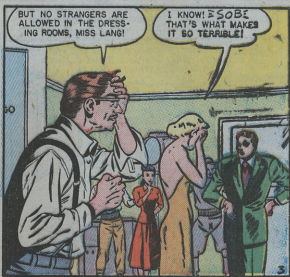
Then one day the storm broke!



E-E-E-K! MY JEWELS ARE GONE!

THAT'S MARGO!

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BUT NO STRANGERS ARE ALLOWED IN THE DRESSING ROOMS, MISS LANG!

I KNOW! SOBE THAT'S WHAT MAKES IT SO TERRIBLE!

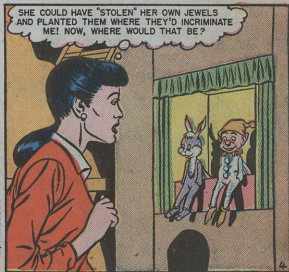
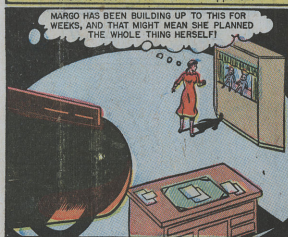
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But as I saw my indictment reflected in others' eyes, I knew I must free myself from the stigma of doubt that branded me!

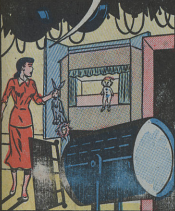


Early the next day, I slipped into the studio and tried to reconstruct what had happened!

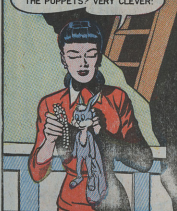


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OH, WHISKERS, HOW WISE YOU LOOK! IF YOU COULD ONLY SPEAK! WHA....?



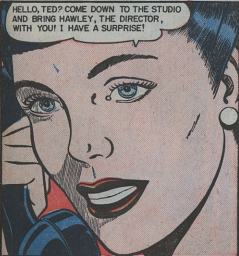
SO THAT'S IT! WHEN TED WORKED THE PUPPETS TONIGHT, HE'D HAVE FOUND THEM...AND WHAT PLACE WOULD I KNOW BETTER THAN THE PUPPETS? VERY CLEVER!



STILL HOW AM I GOING TO CONVINCE TED AND THE OTHERS THAT IT'S THE TRUTH? IF ONLY THE PUPPETS COULD TALK, THEY'D TELL...WAIT A MINUTE...I'VE GOT IT!

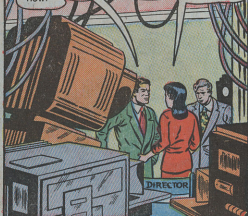


HELLO, TED? COME DOWN TO THE STUDIO AND BRING HAWLEY, THE DIRECTOR, WITH YOU! I HAVE A SURPRISE!



When Ted and Hawley arrived, I told them of my discovery ---and as we talked, I began to weave a plan that would catch the spider in her own web!

PUPPETS TALK? OF COURSE IT WOULD CLEAR YOU...BUT HOW?



HOW DO THEY EVER TALK? THROUGH YOU! IT'S A SLIM CHANCE BUT IT'S WORTH IT!

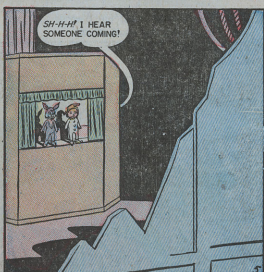
SHE'S RIGHT, TED! IN THE DIM LIGHT, ALONE, IT WOULDN'T TAKE MUCH MORE TO MAKE A GUILTY CONSCIENCE BREAK! AND MARGO MUST PASS THROUGH HERE TO GET TO HER DRESSING ROOM!

I'LL DO ANYTHING TO CLEAR TAFFY!

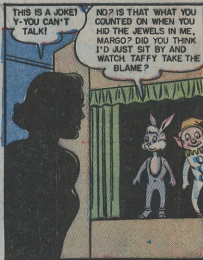
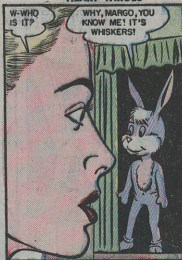
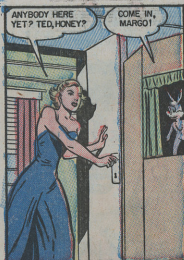


So, dimming the lights until the puppets seemed to be the only living things in the room, we stood back in the shadows and waited for Margo to come...

SH-H-H! I HEAR SOMEONE COMING!



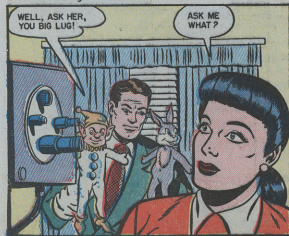
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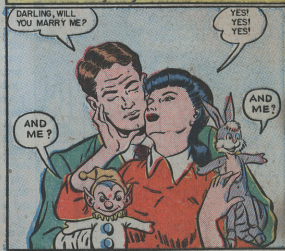
I switched on the lights and the studio was suddenly bright again ...but Margo's eyes were dull as she realized the truth!



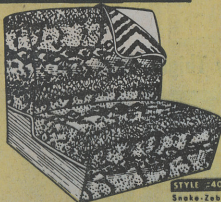
Ted and I were alone at last, but I wondered if our magic moment would return!



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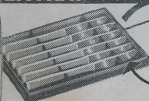
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